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WAY CONSTRUCT ROAD FROM SUNDRE TO BANFF

The residents of Sundre are experiencing quite a stir in the prospects of a highway connecting Sundre and Banff. A survey is being made of equipment and funds available and if these are sufficient it is possible that the highway will be started in the near future. At the council meeting held at Mr. E. Miller's on Saturday it was voted to comply with the plans laid out by the provincial and the dominion governments. The members of the council will be interviewing other officials in Calgary on Tuesday of this week.

We understand that in the not too distant future that a scenic highway will be completed from Banff to Jasper via Sundre and Rocky Mountain House. The Olds Gazette.

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In the candid judgment of your committee, the fund that is has been possible to raise to date, plus any expected additional donations from the comparatively few, who have not already been contacted, is inadequate to justify starting the construction of a memorial centre this season.

The Committee thought it advisable therefore to return your donation for the present, with the view, however, of calling on you in the future when the project is again revived.

This plan seemed more feasible than having the money in the bank dormant for an indefinite period.

In its initial attempt to raise the necessary funds for a memorial centre, your committee has not succeeded in gaining the united support of the entire community.

In order to raise enough money in the future, to construct a building that will serve fully the needs of the community, the project must have the moral and financial support of not just a few, but of all the community.

You can help to achieve this goal by selling your friends and neighbors the idea.

In behalf of the citizens of the Crossfield Community like yourself, who so earnestly desired to start construction of a useful and fitting memorial to the gallant men of this district who made the supreme sacrifice for their country, the committee sincerely thank you for your generous and whole-hearted support.

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Wilda Charney

Secretary

Crossfield Community

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Tense Situation Results In Family Reunion



Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery of Alamein (left) is hardly the person to give way to public display of feeling—his reunion with his only son, Lieut. David Montgomery (right), though pleasant, is slightly on the formal side. The chief of the imperial general staff in Germany to look into the growing tension between the western allies and Russia, met his son at Helle airbase in the British zone. "Well, you are looking well," he remarked and went about his duties. General Robertson, commander-in-chief of the British occupation forces, is in the centre facing the camera.

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Local News

Mrs. Jerry McGill is back at work on the switch-board after having been laid up for the past several weeks with the flu and its aftermath a bad coughing spell.

The city fathers have good reason to be proud of their streets standing up so well after all the water that has been on them this spring. Anyone who has had occasion to visit any other town the past few weeks have had remarks to make on the fact that ours are the best and only streets anywhere they have been.

Nick Peters, local cowboy crooner was heard on C.J.C.J. on Wednesday evening.

Ruby Lee left on Sunday to take up a position as a comptometer operator at one of the Calgary whole sale houses.

Mrs. Isobel Heworth spent a few days visiting at the home of her mother Mrs. S. Willis.

W. Amery had the misfortune to be involved in an accident in Calgary during the snow storm on Saturday last. No one was hurt, but it made a mess of Bill's car.

Mrs. F. Mosen spent a few days last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hesketh.

Mr. Hugh McPhail, District Agriculturalist announces that the combined Sale and Show of the several Boys and Girls Beef Calf Clubs in his district will be held in the Carstairs Stock yards on Thursday, June 3rd. Anyone interested in junior work or good cattle, can spend a very profitable afternoon by visiting this affair.

N. K. Leatherdale came down from Olds on Sunday to confer with the Sports committee regarding the printing of the bills etc for the coming Sports Day to be held on June 16th. By the look of the program that has been drawn up it should be a great afternoon, with at least something of interest and amusement to all.

Some excitement was caused in the village one night last week when a car thief wrecked a new Studebaker in the ditch just south of town, and then had the nerve to walk into town and drive off the car belonging to Harry Wigle. This car was recovered next day in Olds, where the thief had switched to another one.

Frank Laul accompanied by I. Sundal spent a few days this week on business at Banff and Canmore.

Oh, for the good old days when the government lived within its income and without most of ours.

Centre lining of main highways in Alberta will be continued again this year, according to officials of the public works department. The scheme was carried on extensively last year and was found to give great satisfaction while also providing greater safety. It is claimed that the use of the centre line has had the effect of reducing the number of night time accidents.

Home and School to Hear Hon. Ivan Casey

The regular monthly meeting of the H. and S. Association will be held in the Co-Op Hall on Thursday next, May 20th, commencing at 8:30 p.m. sharp. The general public are always welcome at any of these meetings, none of which are confined to members only and this meeting in particular will serve a two fold purpose. The guest speaker being the Honorable Ivan Casey, Minister of Education, there can not only be the opportunity to hear discussed the usual business of the H. & S., which is always interesting, but also a splendid opportunity for the community to show its appreciation of the fact that Mr. Casey is a native town boy who has just about reached the peak in his chosen profession. It is anticipated that a large crowd will be in attendance including the members of the Airdrie H. & S., the school division trustees and quite a number of outside school teachers so that you will do well to come early. Lunch will be served at the conclusion of the business, giving everyone a chance to hold a real old-fashioned gab-fest.

UNITED CHURCH

Crossfield Sunday School at 11 a.m.

Evening Service at 7:30

Madden Sunday School at 11 a.m.

Church Service at 12 noon

Rev. C. W. Anderson, Minister

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Minister Rev. J. W. MacDonald

Sunday services at 11 a.m.

Bible School at 12 noon

Thursday Prayer service at 3:30 p.m.

Thursday Junior service at 7 p.m.

Friday young peoples at 8 p.m.

Service in Mountview Hall west of Airdrie every Sunday at 2:30

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

Service Sunday, May 16th

Evensong at 7:30 p.m.

Rev. J.R.B. Vance, rector

Readers are Asked to Send In News Items

We are striving to make this paper just a little better, something that you be proud of and something that you might be proud to refer to as your HOMETOWN PAPER. In order to do this we must have more news when it is news, the newer the news, the more news value it has and so more reader appeal. Of course a weekly is bound to be somewhat behind a daily and so we have to publish some things that are beginning to get old. What we need very badly are a few local correspondents especially in the west district. We shall be glad to hear from you at any time on any matter of local interest. Just write or phone us the facts and we will do the rest.

Garden Club is Formed Among Local Girls

The first meeting of the newly formed Crossfield Garden Club was held on May 3rd at the home of Mrs. A. Mansell, the club leader. Miss Joanne was elected as president and Ruth McCool as vice-president and Ada Jensen as secretary-treasurer. The meetings are to be held every two weeks on Monday evening at the different members homes commencing at 8 p.m. and parents are cordially invited to attend these meetings. A delicious lunch was served by Mrs. Mansell at the close of the meeting. The evening was enjoyed by all.

Elba Red Cross Discuss Who Should Boss the House

On Wednesday, May 5th, the Elba Red Cross held its business meeting and social afternoon at the home of Mrs. Mele Laul. A special event of the day was Mrs. Fleicher being able to be back with the group after her long sickness.

Mrs. Jessie Bennett read a letter from Czechoslovakia which had appeared in the Free Press. The group decided to send this very needy family any old clothing that could be gathered.

Thanks were tendered to Vera Schofield who has been so kind as to pack all the parcels the group donates for the English families.

The informal debate on "Whether wives should boss their husbands or not brought laughter from every corner. Lucky the husbands could not hear the discussions.

Mrs. Marie Richardson was pleasantly surprised with a shower, the lovely baby gifts being admired by all. Mrs. Laul served a tasty lunch to the 22 ladies and 6 children present.

Basements Full Following Heavy Rain and Snow

After a heavy downfall of wet snow and rain over the week-end, the country is now drying up a little and farmers are hoping it will continue. Not a wheel has turned on the road in this district so far nor will anything be done before next week which will make this the 11th successive dry spell since the latest season on record. There have been other late ones, but nothing to compare with this and it is certain to reduce the acreage sown to wheat. Dirt roads are practically impassable and gravelled roads are not much better, with lots of culverts out and large holes to be encountered almost in every direction. The village streets came through well, but basements that never had water in before now have some and every hole is full of water.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

The regular monthly meeting of the Village Council will be held in the

FIRE HALL

First Monday of each month

Council Sets Day For "Clean-Up" Campaign

The Village Council have set May 26 as "Clean-Up Day" contingent on the weather and the conditions of the streets. Co-operation of citizens is invited in this matter and the council will pay for the hauling of rubbish moved by the day at this time.

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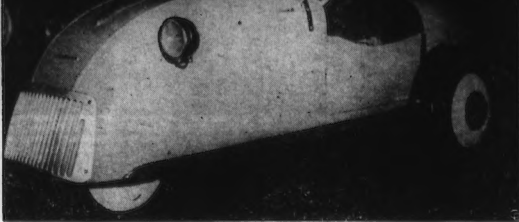
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:: Builds Roadster That Goes Places And Does Things ::



Richard Myren, (above), in miniature roadster

By GEORGE B. MURPHY
Central Press Canadian
SWIFT CURRENT, Sask. — Joe Myren, 37-year-old mechanic of Swift Current, has been making things since he was a boy, and in the last four years he has turned out two masterpieces.

His first major undertaking was a steam engine, an exact model of the kind that used to drive the threshing machines in days gone by. The material cost less than \$10 but he has been offered \$25 for the engine. However, he's still holding it for his six-year-old son, Richard, to operate when he is a little older.

The boiler holds three quarters of a pint of water, and is heated by a miniature gasoline heater. This amount of water in the boiler will

run the engine for half an hour. There is a whistle on the engine too, which Mr. Myren made out of "just a few odds and ends."

Envy Of Boys
But today Richard Myren is the envy of every other boy of his age in Swift Current, for he has a roadster that goes places and does things. The car cost \$70. It is six feet long, 22 inches high.

Myren, a body man in a Swift Current garage for years, has had a lot to do with taking kinks out of old cars, so he decided to build a new one. His working model will travel at approximately eight miles an hour, and can go in reverse. The fenders from a 1947 car were used for the body. The radiator was made out of a piece of the grill from a truck. The fenders of the car were fashioned from the metal parts of the glass bulbs on top of old fashioned filling station gas pumps. The lights, which were at one time the parking lights on a car, are a single wheel on the front. All wheels were tail wheel on aircraft. The steering wheel is made out of a piece of copper pipe off a plane, and part of a model "T" shaft.

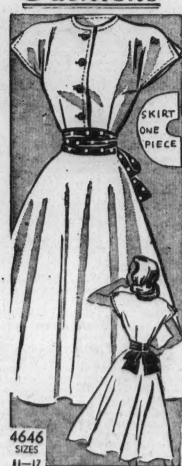
Refuses Offer
The operation of the car is controlled by three pedals. One to go ahead, one to reverse, and one as a brake. It is a "alp-belt drive system," Mr. Myren explained.

Red leather plane cushions are used in the seats and the lights are operated by three pedals. One to go ahead, one to reverse, and one as a brake. It is a "alp-belt drive system," Mr. Myren explained.



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GARDEN NOTES

Two Points
Two points which the gardener must keep in mind at this time are cultivation and pests. A garden kept well cultivated up to the middle of June will stay clean with little trouble from then on. Pests, and this includes weeds, are much more easily handled if caught in the earlier stages. Cultivation will take care of the weeds in most cases, though in lawns or in large and well established clumps, some of the new sprays are advisable. Bugs and diseases should be attacked just as soon as they show themselves. Commercial sprays are available at any seed or hardware store.

No Rush Yet
A few days of warm sunshine seem to put a lot of people into a fever to get all their garden planted. This is a mistake. Seed and plants are rushed in too hurriedly and there is liable to be neglect later on. In practically every section of the country both vegetables and flowers can be planted successfully at regular intervals right up to the end of June. Beets, carrots, beans, spinach, lettuce, radish, etc., can be planted every other week or so right up to late June, and the harvest will be spread accordingly. Flowers, too, can be spread over several weeks. Some things, however, like grass seed, nursery stock, garden peas, sweet peas, are best all planted early. But bedding plants like petunias, sinias, stocks, spider plants, tomatoes, cabbage, etc., should not be set out until all danger of frost is over. Tender things like gladioli, canna, melons, squash, corn, etc., also come in this category.

A common mistake of the new gardener is to sow seed too thickly and to allow plants to grow too close together. Petunias, cosmos, sinias and other fair-sized flowers should be thinned to at least 10 inches apart. Corn, cucumbers, melons and other things grown in individual hills should also be thinned to not more than three or four plants. Crowded plants will be weak and spindly.

UMBRELLAS TREASONABLE
VANCOUVER. — Vancouver newspapers that print pictures of people holding umbrellas over their heads commit "treason," Leo Bowney, local booster, told a civic meeting here. "A few dewdrops are manna from heaven; they're good for the complexion," he said.

Production of stoves and ranges totalled some 4,400,000 units last year (1947), topping the 1946 record by over 1,000,000. 2773

TOP AGE LIMIT FOR RESERVE FORCE COMMISSION

OTTAWA. — Temporary top age limits for men seeking Reserve Force commissions were announced by the army. For armored corps, artillery, infantry and army service corps units the maximum is 28; engineer, signals, ordnance and electrical and mechanical engineer units, 30; medical, dental, pay provost and intelligence corps, 35; chaplains 50.

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By WILLIAM FERGUSON



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—By Al Vermeer

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Health LEAGUE OF CANADA presents TOPICS OF VITAL INTEREST

OCCUPATIONAL ECZEMA SOMETIMES AVOIDABLE

Industrial workers can escape occupational dermatitis (eczema) if certain rules are adhered to, it is stated by Dr. Samuel M. Peck of New York. In a paper, read in Chicago some months ago, he laid down these rules:

Machines should be cleaned daily; oil should be filtered to eliminate metal shavings; workers should take daily showers and use clean towels and clean clothing every day; waste should be cleared from near machines. In the case of workers in cement plants, there should be efficient control, while workers should use goggles or respirators. Machines should be enclosed.

As for housewives and others who contract dermatitis from soap or soap flakes, rubber gloves, closed at the wrists by a sleeve buttoned over the glove, should be used. If this did not help, soap substitutes should be used and the hands lubricated frequently with an emollient containing animal vegetable fats.

GEMS OF THOUGHT

EARNESTNESS

Earnestness is enthusiasm tempered by reason.—Pascal.

There are important cases in which the difference between half a heart and a whole heart makes just the difference between signal defeat and a splendid victory.—A. H. K. Boyd.

There is no substitute for thoroughgoing, ardent, and sincere earnestness.—Dickens.

To impress others we must be earnest; to amuse them, it is only necessary to be kindly and fanciful.

Without earnestness no man is ever great or does really great things. He may be the cleverest of men; he may be brilliant, entertaining, popular; but he will want weight.—Bayne.



BLIND-ELECT ARRIVES FROM AUSTRALIA

Prospective bride of Blucy, kangaroo who came from Australia for last year's Byline ball, Amama Matilda is seen with Stewardess Jean Johnston on arrival at Malton airport, Toronto. Amama arrived in time for this year's ball, and she is a lady despite Vancouver reports that Amama was a male. The rabbit-skin grey kangaroo, the gift of the Sydney Journalists' club, was flown from Australia. Her corage, presented by the Canadian Women's Press club, was made up of carrots and greens.

Canadian Navy Adopt New Flag

OTTAWA. — A distinctive Canadian flag to be flown from the ship of the senior Canadian officer present afloat, in both Canadian and foreign ports, has been adopted by the Royal Canadian Navy, it was announced by Hon. Brooke Claxton, Minister of National Defence.

The flag will be triangular in shape, and will be dark blue with a white St. George's cross.

Up to the present, it has been the practice for the senior officer present afloat to fly the same pennant as that in use by the senior officer of the Royal Navy.

The new triangular blue flag, will be flown by the senior officer of any group of Canadian naval vessels. The only exception to the rule will be when the senior officer is an admiral or a commodore when the flag or pennant of his rank will be flown.

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WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

Stocks of raw cattle hides in Canada at the end of 1947 totalled 663,000, an increase of about seven per cent. over stocks held a year ago.

Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, will attend the annual Dominion Day dinner of the Canada Club in London July 1, it was officially announced.

The first Canadian lake fleet to be equipped with war-developed radar is moving from winter berths at the Welland ship canal docks.

Wing Cmdr. A. J. Shelford, former Canadian bush pilot, has been appointed chief of all-weather flying training for the R.A.F., the air ministry announced.

In its efforts to encourage young farm scientists to stay in Canada, the Agricultural Institute of Canada is offering its series of twenty \$800 scholarships for the third year.

The London Daily Graphic said that "it is understood preliminary plans are being prepared for a state visit to Denmark by the King and Queen." It believed the visit may be over in August.

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Greater Fire Prevention Efforts Are Urged During Spring Clean-Up

WITH fire losses in Canada in 1947 estimated at well over \$90 million and the total for 1948 to date at a still higher level, fire prevention officials are making a strong drive for greater prevention efforts.

A spring clean-up is being urged in both Canada and the United States as one of the best means to check the fire loss, and greater care by smokers is also urged. Smokers' carelessness continues the most common cause of fires, being blamed for about one-third of the total.

Householders, merchants and manufacturers are all urged to tidy up their premises in the interests of fire prevention. Piles of rubbish not only give a direct invitation to fire but frequently impede firefighters.

In some communities spring clean-up day is on an established date. While in most cases attention is centred on giving the community the new look, as regards lawns and gardens, the fire prevention objective is just as important.

The National Board of Fire Underwriters in the United States suggests several ways in which individual property-holders can co-operate in the fire prevention efforts, as follows:

Clear out all rubbish gathered in attics, closets, cellars and garages. Be sure oily wastes and other greasy materials are put in metal cans, which are cleaned every day.

Keep aisles and entrances clear of obstacles. See that fire escapes are safe and fire doors not blocked open. Check for all woodwork or other combustible material located near steam pipes, boilers, flues, or furnaces.

Make certain fuel supply is stored safely, if possible in a room with fire walls. Move open flame lights away from burnable equipment.

Check all electric wiring and equipment for breaks, loosened wires, cords looped over nails, and fuses replaced by improper current carrying devices.

See that smoking rules are obeyed. Inspect fire fighting equipment. Check sprinklers for coated or corroded heads, instructions and make sure if any part of sprinklers or pipe is exposed to freezing.

Be sure combustible goods are stored safely, if possible in a room with fire walls. Where there is a watchman, make sure he visits all parts of the premises regularly.

Check all stoves, furnaces, and heaters as soon as possible.

Farm Tractors Can Originate Fires

With the more general use on farms of tractors, trucks, and gasoline driven machinery, care is needed to see that this type of equipment does not become a potential source of farm fires.

Speaking before the 1947 Convention of the Mutual Fire Underwriters' Association of Ontario, the companies of which carry about 75 per cent. of all fire insurance on agricultural property in Ontario, Mr. C. W. Caskey, Solicitor to the Ontario Fire Marshal's office emphasized the possible fire danger from farm tractors and trucks. Pointing out that automotive engineers have designed trucks and tractors so that the least possible fire hazard exists, so long as the equipment is kept in good running order, Mr. Caskey said that most fires originating from gasoline-driven vehicles can be traced to one of the following:

Poor Maintenance.—The important items are—mufflers, gasoline lines, carburetors and the ignition system. Trouble rarely comes suddenly and there are usually warnings of defects which can be detected in advance.

Improper refueling and imperfect fuel storage.—Small quantities of gasoline if required should be carried in safety cans only, and motor should be stopped, manifold and muffler be reasonably cool and no smoking, while tank is being filled.

Accumulations of dust, oil and combustible material.—A load of grain passing the muffler too close may take fire, straw or chaff may blow to accumulate on the engine, clog the radiator, pile up on the muffler, build up around the tractor or truck to provide direct contact with heat pipes or get close enough for sparks to ignite.

Poor judgment in operating the equipment, or unexpected accident.—Tractors and trucks being driven in and around farm buildings should be handled with the same care and good judgment given to driving a car on a crowded highway. The slightest accident—burning gasoline is involved—can cause a disastrous fire.

Poor judgment in selecting a place to service, adjust or repair automotive equipment.—Under no circumstances should such operations take place in any building where fire could cause extensive damage. Distance is the greatest protection and the cheapest. A minimum distance should be 80 feet from any building or stack. Flaming gasoline spreads rapidly.

See that floors under stoves are protected. Put enough ash trays around the premises to meet the needs of smokers. Remember one-third of all fires are caused by smokers' carelessness. Keep matches out of the reach of young children.

Use only proper fuses for electrical circuits. Don't bridge burned out fuses with wires or coins. Regarding loss of life, a booklet published by the National Board of Fire Underwriters states that many fire deaths are due to hot air and toxic acids as well as direct flame.

Air and gas can get as hot as 1,000 deg. F. in a very few minutes and can kill in a few breaths and also set fire to drapes, curtains, etc. A fire doesn't have to burn from sofa to a chair to a table to spread. Its advance guard of withering heat will start a fire sometimes many feet away.

If you are in a room where a fire starts, get out as quickly as possible, shut the door and call the fire department at once.

Find some other way to get down stairs than through the main staircase, which offers an avenue for deadly heat and poisonous gases. Don't overload your electrical circuit plugging in more toasters, irons, lights, etc., than the line will carry. Don't use gasoline or kerosene to start a fire.

Don't look for a gas leak with a match.

Ex-Dishwasher Buys United States Town

Hopes New Industry Will Help Rebuild It

LANGLIS, Pa., — This once-bustling community of 3,000 was rescued from a "ghost town" fate by "Gus the Greek" Barbus, who as an immigrant boy got his start by washing dishes 36 years ago.

Gus saved Langlois by the simple process of buying it—the whole town—for a reported half-million dollars. The town's troubles began when the American Zinc and Chemical Co. decided to close its local zinc plant. The major industry here, it provided 800 jobs and a \$9,000-a-day payroll.

Things looked pretty gloomy until Gus surveyed the scene. Gus lives in nearby Burgettstown.

Working hard and saving his money he had built his original \$7 into a small fortune. At Burgettstown he owns a big country store, a large restaurant, and a hotel building with a half-dozen stores.

Gus thought he might put Langlois on its feet. He went to the Burgettstown Bank, which showed its faith in him by advancing a \$200,000 loan—largest it ever advanced to an individual.

Gus's main objective is to induce a new industry to move into the empty plant.

"My plan is to run a good town," he said. Gus admits he got a kick out of buying the town.

"It could only happen in this country," he smiled.

SHOULD BE DISCARDED Don't save half-used medicines made from prescriptions. Time will frequently cause dangerous changes in drugs and medicine and that medicine that would be beneficial one week might be unfit for use in a month's time.

Poor judgment in operating the equipment, or unexpected accident.—Tractors and trucks being driven in and around farm buildings should be handled with the same care and good judgment given to driving a car on a crowded highway. The slightest accident—burning gasoline is involved—can cause a disastrous fire.

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PLAY "BARBERSHOP" WHILE MAMA'S AWAY—Not up to professional standards, but all the more attractive to him because it's a home-made affair, Richard Rebel, 2, of Chicago, admires haircut in mirror held by his sister Rita, 4. Her twin Rita, manipulates the shears. The girls had done each other's novel—if not modish—hairstyles earlier. Shear butchery resulted when the youngsters decided to play barber shop in mother's absence.

YOU'RE TELLING ME By WILLIAM RITT Central Press Canadian Writer

Blanketed cows give more milk in winter—item. We get it—we're kept Bossy under wraps.

Explorers in Greenland report seeing tracks of a mysterious hopping creature. Now how do you suppose kangaroos got 'way up there?

A French barber shaved a man in 10 seconds. It is significant that the customer made no comment.

A nudist leader says that if this were a nude world there would be no wars. Well, anyway, not a clothing price war.

Grandpa Jenkins went to a sportsman's show and was greatly surprised to learn the champion roller was a lumberjack and not a congressman.

Oil Discoveries Enrich Indians

CALGARY. — A total of 750,000 acres of land on Indian reserves in Alberta is under lease for oil properties and drilling has begun at several points, G. H. Gooderham, regional director of the Indian Affairs Branch, Department of Mines and Resources, reports.

He said the Indians would receive 12½ per cent. royalties on all oil discovered on their lands, and slightly lower royalties in deposits of natural gas.

OLD CUSTOMS By long custom, the higher the gauge number (like 16-gauge sheets) of a piece of steel, the thinner materials or those that are smaller in diameter.

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BALTIĆ D.P.'S FROM GERMANY REACH GENOA ON WAY TO CANADA—Bound for Canada, these Lithuanian D.P.'s in a box car that brought them to Genoa, Italy, are part of a group of 860 Baltic and Balkan nationals from camps in British and U.S. German occupation zones. Smiling Estonian girl, Eini Sirk, 23 now in Genoa, is coming to Canada with her family for resettlement.

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STAMP CORNER

By JAMES MONTAGNES



Russia has issued two stamps to sports, motorcycle racing (left) and skiing (top centre). Monaco has issued a stamp, a replica of one of its earlier stamps, for Day of the Postage Stamp (lower centre). Greece has issued a postal tax stamp featuring St. Demetrius, patron saint of Salonika (right).

A Pan-American conference is at the present being held at Bogota, Colombia, and a commemorative set is being issued to mark the event. This South American republic has issued many stamps since 1939 when its first stamps appeared. These and other early stamps featured the coat-of-arms of the country, and some of the stamps are fairly valuable.

The native condor, a giant eagle, was featured on stamps of 1877, along with a profile of a woman representing Liberty. Not till 1888 did Colombia feature personalities on its stamps, that year Simon Bolivar, the great South American liberator, and the then president of the republic, Rafael Nunez, being shown on stamps. Since then a number of other statesmen have been featured.

First pictorial stamps of the country appeared in 1902, showing scenes near Barranquilla. Colombia's cruise to Cartagena was shown on a 1903 set. A long list of statesmen were featured on 1910 issue marking a centenary of Colombian independence. In 1917 another set of personalities was issued. In 1930 there was a stamp to mark a centenary of the death of Simon Bolivar.

Products of Colombia were featured on a 1932 set. The next year there was a set to Pedro de Heredia, a Spanish explorer who founded Cartagena four hundred years earlier. A long set featuring sports appeared in 1935 to mark the third national Olympic games held at Barranquilla that year. A number of other commemorative sets were issued the next few years and in 1938 there was a set to mark 400 years since founded Bogota. In addition to other historical commemorative issues in the intervening years there was an over-

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Australia Claims To Have The World's Largest Ranch

Herd Of 140,000 Head Of Cattle And 35,000 Calves Are Brandied Yearly In Victoria River Downs Station

Although current world food shortages, and the demands now being placed on Australia for more food, may shortly cause the size of re-emption to cut considerable slices from its 12,000 square miles acreage, Victoria River Downs cattle station in Australia's Northern Territory is the largest in the world.

Bigger than Belgium, its immensity makes America's King Ranch look like a market garden. The boundaries have never been completely surveyed, but they have been "calculated." If you doubted the calculation, you would have to ride 600 miles for a check-up! And if you wanted to make a more or less rough estimate, you could ride 150 miles in a straight line and still be on the cattle run.

This gigantic land area was originally leased from the Crown in 1875. It has passed through several hands and Australia's fabulous "Cattle King," Sir Sidney Kidman, was one of its various owners.

The ranch takes its name from the Victoria River which winds through it for a distance of approximately 200 miles. Two tributaries, the Townsend and Armstrong rivers, along with their numerous tributaries, among which are some substantial streams, are entirely contained within the boundaries.

The Victoria River herd is estimated at 140,000 head of cattle and about 35,000 calves are branded annually by the six stock camps which are responsible for the cattle control of the property.

Administrative headquarters of the ranch has the appearance of a small township. Painted white, its numerous buildings include residences, men's quarters, stores, garages, wagon sheds, engineers' shops and blacksmith shops.

With such an immense area of country, the ranch headquarters is merely administrative in function. What is known as the Centre Camp is directly controlled from headquarters, but five other stock camps are located at various strategic points.

The five stock camps are Montejunio, Moolooloo, Pigeon Hole, Mount Handford, and Gordon Creek. Each is controlled by a head stockman, who is usually assisted by a white cook, a couple of white stockmen, with ten or fifteen Australian aborigines who act as stockmen, fencers and track riders.

As the Northern Territory climate is seasonal, with six months dry weather extending from April to October, and six months of heavy rain extending from November to March, the bulk of the work has to be done during the dry season. Heavy rains

transform creeks into torrents, and the thick soil plains become quagmires.

During the wet season the men engage in horse-breaking, rope making and other odd jobs. Bullock mustering begins as soon as the "wet" ends. Quotas of stock required are given to each head stockman, with the place and date of delivery. The number of bullocks is based on the brandings made during the previous season and is usually in the vicinity of five thousand.

Mustering and delivery is a massive performance, worked to a tight schedule. Plans are now in hand for heavier stocking to cope with increased British beef demands, because much is expected of the cattle station which proudly boasts of its uniquely vast acreage.—Montreal Star.

Dominion-Wide Conservation Board Planned

CALGARY.—A drive to form a dominion-wide conservation board has been inaugurated by the western Canada and Yukon Fish and Game Council, it was announced here.

It is hoped that the proposed organization will have representatives from all provincial game groups in the country, much along the lines of the western council, which is the official organization for British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba Fish and Game associations.

W. F. Tisdale of Winnipeg, president of the Western Council, has asked the federal department of mines and resources for assistance in forming the group.

He advanced the following problems which he said he believed should be dealt with at a meeting of Canadian sportsmen and government officials:

1. The Migratory Bird Conservation Act; 2. Drainage and submarginal marshes and lakes; 3. Observation of conservation work; 4. Education in conservation; 5. Over advertisement of Canada's fish and game possibilities.

Previous attempts to form a national fish and game organization failed through what sportsmen described as lack of support from the dominion government and provincial sportsmen.

The first attempt was made in the early 30's and the organization existed for three years. An attempt to revive the national organization was made in 1938, but the organization disbanded shortly after the start of the Second World War.

Bolero Comes Into Its Own This Season



Spicy, fashions reveal prominent play of the bolero—the tiny jacket that can be worn with or without the dress. The black and white print by a New York designer clearly illustrates what has just been said. The gray and white pin-stripe, (at right), is ideal for weekends. The white pique and red ribbon tie give it a crisp, cool look. Better still, you can take off the jacket and underneath you have a sun dress with shoulder straps.

THE SPORT WORLD

Saskatchewan Angling Seasons Open May 16

The King will open the Olympic games in Wembley Stadium July 29. Buckingham Palace announced. According to Olympic regulations, the King will make the following announcement after the parade of athletes into the stadium: "I proclaim open the Olympic games of London celebrating the era."

Softball in the All-American Girls' league can really be called baseball now. The pitchers will throw overhand this season.

Attention, all mother baseball fans! Bill Veck, president of Cleveland Indians, is toying with the idea of having a nursery installed at the stadium so women can park their youngsters and watch the ball game in comfort. It would have gadgets for children, aged two to six. That's for afternoon games only. At night he thinks children should be left home.

If you're feeling frisky, you can't go up \$1,000 on July 1 by climbing Mount Revelstoke at Revelstoke, B.C. faster than anyone else. The mountain top is 6,400 feet above sea level and a trail about eight miles long usually takes between four and five hours.

Cardston, Alta. Shooting Stars are the western senior women's basketball champions. They defeated Vancouver 37-36 to take the best-of-five series 3-2.

Heavyweight champion Joe Louis arrived home from his European exhibition tour and reiterated he expected to make short work of Jersey Joe Walcott in their return battle. "This will not be a very hard fight, the nattily-attired champ said. "In our last fight I made the very bad mistake of trying out the last two days."

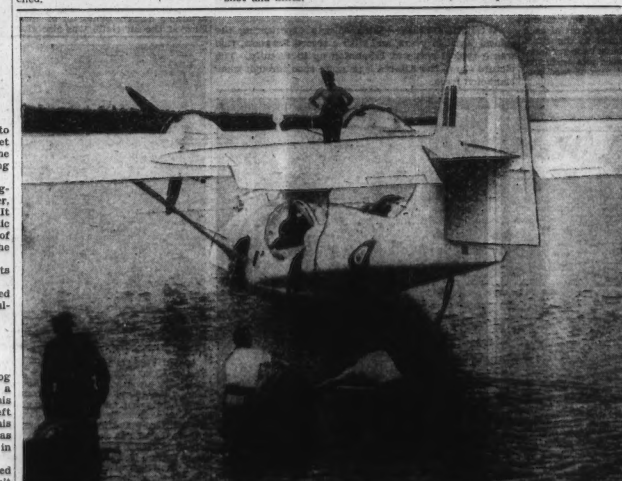
Don Stoltz of Detroit entered a steam-powered car in the 32nd annual 500-mile automobile race May 31 at the Indianapolis speedway. The car has not been road tested. If the "Little Steam Special" performs according to the builder's expectations, it will be the first steam-powered car ever to reach the qualification trials for the big race.

PERFECT FLAME THROWER

In North Carolina a state fire warden has perfected a special flame-thrower for use in quickly setting back fires when forests are threatened.

AMMUNITION WAS SCARCE

In colonial North Carolina ammunition was so scarce that every vessel not owned in the state had to pay a tonnage duty in gunpowder, gun shot and flint.



R.C.A.F. GETS READY TO PHOTOGRAPH ALL CANADA FROM AIR.—Photographing Canada from coast to coast, by air, is the job undertaken by the R.C.A.F.'s two photographic squadrons. At isolated camps in the north the job of flying in fuel and supplies is proceeding. Here gasoline drums are floated ashore to be pumped full from the tanks of the Canoe plane. Short range Norsemen will use the fuel and take the pictures.

Spring Flowers Add To Table Attractiveness

Spring is a time of promise. Life begins again in the flowers of spring—and in the high hopes of hearts eased from the gray dreariness of winter. So let hearts ease and promise be the theme of your dinner table setting.

Whatever the season or the decoration, a fresh linen tablecloth is the beginning of an attractive setting. It may be one of the new damask patterns which are now being imported again, or it may be an old cloth with all of its original beauty brought out by perfect laundering.

New designs are also available in china and glass. Some stemware is being imported, more is being made in Canada and the United States. And all the stores are showing attractive china patterns and new designs in sterling and in silver-plated flatware.

But fortunately new table appointments are not needed to make your spring table attractive. Every spring brings its unlimited gift of flowers. Their radiance will counteract the zestlessness of everyday china and glass. So why not concentrate your efforts on a lovely centerpiece if you are not ready to choose new things for your table.

For an effective centerpiece fill a glass baking dish with damp sand and plant it close, in spring flower bed fashion, with Chinese lilies. For candlesticks, use saucer filled glass custard cups, planted with purple and yellow pansies. The arrangement is just enough different to give the whole table a smart new look.

Believe Homing Instinct In Birds Just A Myth

ITHACA, N.Y.—Birds turned loose in a strange place far from home do not fly straight to their nests, guided by some mysterious instinct or some hidden sense that we earthlings have not. They cruise in curving lines, with a suggestion of spiralling, apparently getting home by plain ordinary exploration.

This is the conclusion reached as the result of experiments by two Cornell University ornithologists, Drs. Donald R. Griffin and Raymond J. Hook, who report their findings in the forthcoming issue of Science.

The two men chose gannets for their tests, because these big white sea birds are easily seen at a distance, and because it was safe to assume that they had never of their own accord gone far from the coast.

They carried a number of traps into the interior of the Canadian maritime province of New Brunswick, where they turned out the loose birds. They followed in an airplane, at a respectful height and distance; the rest they left unaccompanied to see if the presence of the plane was a disturbing factor.

Only two of the birds flew in anything like a straight line for the coast, and both of these turned at right angles before they reached the shores of the Bay of Fundy. The others flew literally in all directions, making many turns and loops. There was no evidence whatever of a pre-natural "sense of direction."

First gannet to get home arrived at its nest in 24 hours; others required up to 70 hours. Four failed to get back at all; though one of these was in poor condition upon release.

Average distance travelled in one day was 99 miles. This compares with a high of 145 miles for the swallow and a low of 37 for the starling.

Helpful Hints

Store both crackers and cookies in airtight tins, jars or boxes. Don't keep them with bread as they will absorb moisture and lose their crispness.

When bad weather keeps the children indoors, a simple cooking lesson will help pass the time. Even a very young child can frost ginger crackers for instance.

To soften stubborn grease that cakes on your oven, try leaving a shallow pan of household ammonia in the oven overnight. With a damp cloth the softened grease should come off easily.

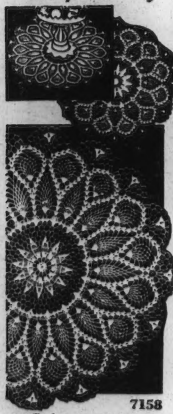
When shoe laces lose their tips, as they are apt to do, make them last a little longer by twisting the ends and dipping them into clear nail polish. Let dry thoroughly then give them a second coat if necessary. Try the same thing with cord or heavy thread when stringing beads.

EDUCATE PRISONERS

VANCOUVER.—Men and women prisoners in Okalla prison, in nearby Burnaby, will receive vocational education.—J. D. Hobden, secretary of the John Howard Society, said professors and others skilled in trades will teach prisoners so they will have an occupation when released.

China's coal reserves are estimated at about 243,870,000,000 tons.

Party-Makers



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Smile of the Week—

INDIRECT APPROACH

"What are you cutting out of the paper?"

"About a man securing a divorce because his wife went through his pockets."

"What are you going to do with it?"

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Wolves Killing Moose In Northern Manitoba

CRANBERRY PORTAGE, Man.—Timber wolves are killing moose in northern Manitoba and one definite case has been investigated by Joe Robertson, game warden. Walter Amus returning with a load of fish from one of the nearby lakes, was a witness to part of the struggle between a large bull moose and two wolves and reported the fight to the game warden. About ten miles from Cranberry Portage, Robertson discovered evidence of the fight the moose had put up and found the partly eaten carcass half buried in the snow. This, combined with the fact fewer moose are reported in the woods has led trappers and others to renew agitation for the use of poison in order to kill off the wolf population.

NEW MACHINE DEVELOPED FOR SUGAR BEET FARMING

LONDON.—A French machine to take the backbone out of sugar beet farming by thinning crops at the rate of one yard a second is being demonstrated in England.

The machine, demonstrated to English farmers by a French engineer, already is in use on the continent. It is operated by an electro-magnetic "brain" which reacts to the touch of metallic fingers on the leaves of the plants.

It feels for and selects the plants to be left standing in rows.

Official tests are to be conducted by the National Institute of Agricultural Engineering in May.

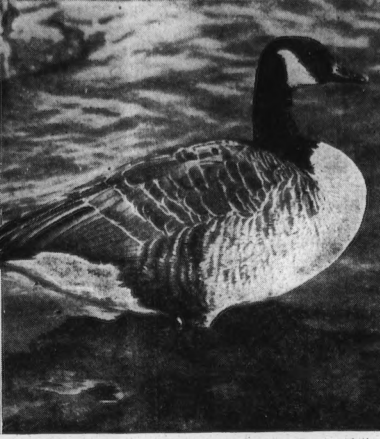
STORY ABOUT FROG CARRIES A LESSON

Ever hear the story of the frog that was caught in a deep rut in a road? In spite of the help of his friends, he couldn't get out. They left him in despair. Next day, one of his friends saw him hopping about, as chipper as could be, and no longer in a rut.

"What are you doing here?" asked the friend. "I thought you couldn't get out of that rut."

"I couldn't," said the frog, "but a big truck came along and I had to get out."

World News In Pictures



CANADA'S WILDLIFE—At this time of the year Western Canadian forests and streams are beginning to teem with birds, beasts and fish, and the recent "National Wildlife Week" observed was planned to conserve the wildlife, which help to beautify and make our land attractive.

The Fawn, the Canadian Goose, and the Canadian Raccoon, are a part of Canada's teeming wildlife.



INJURED STUDENT GETS \$560 FROM CHUMS—The home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Ogilvie, York township, Ont., was a hive of activity as friends of their son, James, 17, gathered to welcome him home from hospital. Following a tumble downstairs in his home, the student was confined to hospital for 13 weeks with a broken neck. Proudly showing the cheque for \$560 donated by fellow students, he said his friends' efforts "helped considerably while I was in hospital. The cheque also will help considerably in paying expenses," he added. The students raised the money by holding concerts and dances. James is shown with Marilyn Crisp.



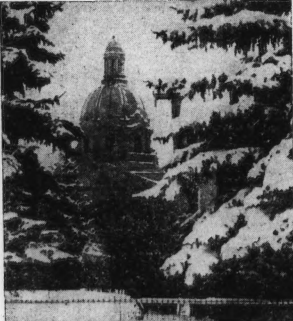
LINE-UP FOR BUTTER COMMON SIGHT—Housewives throughout most of Canada are lining up for butter these days. And as in the picture above, most dairies and such-like are forced to ration the scarce commodity to one pound per customer. Everyone including Mrs. E. Yanakoo, the proprietress of a Toronto creamery, (above), seem to be able to smile about the whole thing, though.



QUADRUPLETS' FOURTH BIRTHDAY PARTY—These youngsters don't have to call in any outsiders when they want to do some churning as a quartet. They are the Zarief quadruplets, of Brooklyn, who are all set to do some singing around the festive table as they mark fourth birthday. They are from left to right: Elaine, Benjamin, Isador and Ellen. Benjamin adds extra touch with horn-blowing.



WINS ONTARIO PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST—Smiling happily after winning this shield in the annual public-speaking contest for public school pupils in Ontario is eleven-year-old Mary Elaine Gruse, Toronto. Theme of the contest was intelligent management of the farm wood lot. The winner said that a wood lot on the farm is like money in the bank, that it is an investment, and only the interest should be taken in the form of each year's natural return. She quoted figures to the effect that 5,000,000 acres of land in Ontario have been rendered unproductive by lack of cultivation of wood lots on farms, thus putting 2,500 people out of the business of food production.



WINTER OVER?—With Alberta experiencing the coldest April in years, and with a record for snow, this was a typical scene at Edmonton up to recently. The picture shows the Alberta legislature seen through snow blanketed trees.



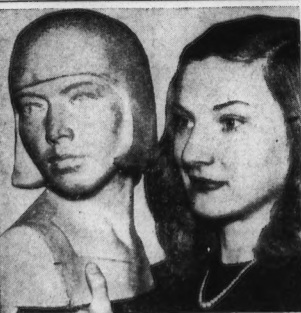
CANADIAN AND U.S. LEADERS HONORED—President Truman, (left), chats with Viscount Alexander of Tunis as they met at the College of William and Mary at Williamsburg, for the Canadian-American day convocation. In the centre is John E. Pomfret, president of the college. The president and the viscount were given honorary degrees of doctor of laws. The viscount is governor-general of Canada. Prime Minister Mackenzie King at the far (left) was also given an honorary degree.



FORCED TO FLEE WHEN FIRE STRIKES—Fourteen persons, five of them children under six years, and four brothers, were forced out in their night clothes when fire gutted second floor apartments of a Toronto rooming house at 1:30 a.m. The fire started in the rear apartment, occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Horth, who suggested a prowler seen twice on a portion of flat roof outside their rooms, may have started the blaze to cover up theft. All their clothes were lost in the blaze. Mr. and Mrs. Nick Horth and their three children were among those forced out of the apartment by the fire. Mrs. Nick Horth is pictured with her children, Bill, Jimmie and Bobbie.



PICTURE REPRESENTS FIVE GENERATIONS—Five generations are seen at the Brantford, Ont., home of Mrs. R. Martin. Mrs. E. Struthers, 84, holds great-great-grandchild, Diane Trembley, three months. Back of them, from left, are: Diane's mother, Mrs. R. Trembley, Brantford; her grandmother, Mrs. T. Wood, Galt; great-grandfather, H. Keachie, Galt, Ont.



N.B. TEAM WINS FIRST PRIZE IN POTTER'S SHOW—The Canadian Guild of Potters opened the annual ceramic exhibition in the Art Gallery, Toronto, with more than 100 pieces of work from the U.S. and Canada. Fine utilitarian and decorative objects were on display. Judging was done by Frieda Janek, interior decorator; Roddy Kenny Cortice, painter, and Florence Wyle, sculptress. Third and fourth place in the Canadian show resulted in ties. A flat blue bowl done by Erica and Keld Deichmann, New Brunswick husband-wife team of potters, won first award; a tall blue vase by Mary Dickinson, Toronto, was second, and third place was tied with a fruit bowl by Helen Turner and a ceramic sculpture by Dora Wechsler. Fourth place was shared by Mary Dickinson with a ceramic bull figure, and Mary Slatery with a casserole bowl. Dorothy Mills, (above), admires a bust by Arthur Tracy.



MRS. ROOSEVELT VISITS KING AND QUEEN—Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt is shown at Windsor Castle in London, Eng., with King George and Queen Elizabeth. Mrs. Roosevelt is in England to dedicate a statue of her late husband, Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY—

DOC KELLY'S BOY

By JIM DYGERT

Ever since young Tommy Winters could remember, his mother was always telling him that he should be more like Doc Kelly's boy. He expected to hear it once again when he spotted his mother coming towards the garage.

"So, you've been fishing all day again, Tommy, what's the matter? Don't you appreciate our sending you to school?"

He finished hanging his pole and turned about to defend himself. "Honest, Mom, it's not that. I just get sick of going to school every day. A fellow has to have some kind of fun once in a while."

"I should think Saturday and Sunday should give you enough time. You don't see your father loafing about whenever the notion strikes him."

"But, Mom, you don't understand. Oh, yes I do. It's getting to where I can't do anything with you. Son, if

only you could be more like Doc Kelly's boy, Now there's a fine, upstanding young lad for you! Never getting into trouble and—"

"Never doing anything," Tommy interrupted. "Just an angel with wings. Everyone would be a whole lot better off if he would use those wings to fly away with."

"Tommy! Don't be so sarcastic. And didn't I teach you better than to break into my conversation like that? Do you think Doc Kelly's boy would do something like that? You bet your life he wouldn't."

She looked down at her son's clothes for the first time. "Tommy, what did you do? Fall into Bear Creek? Oh, Tommy! You might have drowned. Hurry and get those clothes off before you catch a death of cold. When you are finished, come downstairs. I'm going to heat your supper over."

Sarah was just about half way to the stove when the telephone rang. Miss Twitchell was on the line. "Is Tommy all right?"

"Well, I saw him coming down Main St. carrying little Bert Stevens. And Sarah, both of them were wringing wet and little Bert was crying aloud. He pushed me in! He pushed me in! So, I thought I'd call to let you know what your Tommy has done."

Sarah uttered a faint "Thanks" and hung up. "Now hooky isn't enough," she thought. "Now he's going about pushing six-year-old kids into Bear Creek. So, that is his reason for being wet. Just wait till he comes down."

Tommy came down all washed and ready for supper. He always fixed up a little extra special for supper on Wednesday nights. After all, his mother didn't bake a chocolate cake that night just to please herself.

"You must have had a good time fishing," Sarah said bluntly. "Caught a lot of them. Ma, I gave them to Widow Stevens. Her little boy, Bert, likes fish. In fact, he was down at the creek today trying to catch some himself."

"Son, that's the way I like you to do things. It isn't a bit harder to do the good things. And there are so many good things that need doing. She gave her words time to sink in. Then she said, "By the way, how's Bert?"

"O.K., Ma. Except that he fell in Bear Creek. But he's O.K. now." As she looked at the boy, she thought, "So now Tommy is starting to lie. He never did that before. He always told me when he got into trouble."

After emptying his plate, Tommy remained at the table waiting for the chocolate cake.

"Get on to bed, Tommy," she commanded coldly, breaking the Wednesday night procedure that had developed into a habit.

"But—the chocolate cake?"

"There is no chocolate cake. Get on to bed."

She watched her disappointed son



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—Fastest fighter squadrons in service in the world form the R.A.F. group stationed at Horsham St. Faith, Eng., where the new Meteor Mark IV jet planes are lined up for the display. The aircraft have improved jet engines, twice as powerful as in the Meteor III, and are a great advance in the main safeguard of Britain from air attack.

walk up the stairs and seated herself in the rocker.

Upon hearing the doorbell ring, Sarah walked to the door. She opened it to find Widow Stevens and Bert.

"Where's Tommy?" Widow Stevens asked excitedly. "I just can't wait to thank him. He saved little Bert's life today."

"Saved his life?" Sarah was puzzled. All this didn't make sense. She called for Tommy to come down.

Widow Stevens held Tommy's hand and spoke slowly. "Tommy, Bert had told me about the brave thing you did today. So, son, I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart. You see, Bert's all that I have now and if it hadn't been for you—"

"Aw, Mrs. Stevens, anybody would have done," Tommy said, attempting to rid himself of the hero brand. "No, not anybody, Tommy," Widow Stevens said. "There are many things you do that just anybody don't. More than once, Bert and I were hungry when you brought a string of fish to our door. No, not anybody, Tommy."

Tommy and Bert were getting at the chocolate cake when Widow Stevens said, "They are getting to be such good friends. I can't help but keep telling Bert that he should try and grow up and be the kind of boy Tommy is."

Sarah laughed. "That's funny. And I keep telling Tommy that he should try and be more like Doc Kelly's boy."

"Before you tell him that again," Widow Stevens said. "I think you ought to know Tommy just gave Doc Kelly's boy a good beating. My little Bert was pushed into Bear Creek by Doc Kelly's boy."

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Alberta Plans All-Weather Road

EDMONTON.—Completion of an all-weather road through to British Columbia is scheduled for this year, it was announced by Works Minister W. A. Fallow. He said extension of the hard-surfacing program is also projected.

This will mean that this year there will be a hard-surfaced road all the way from the United States boundary through Edmonton to Morinville, a distance of 372 miles. From Morinville to the B.C. boundary, there will be an all-weather or gravelled road for 439 miles, covering a total distance from the United States border of 781 miles.

ANNIVERSARY RECALLS ROMANCE OF NINETIES

TORONTO.—It was more than 50 years ago, Anson Patterson, conductor on a New York street car, spied a pretty girl in a store. He waved. And he went on waving every day. Finally the pretty girl got on the street car and met the conductor. It wasn't long before they were married.

They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary recently at nearby Brant.

Both Greenland and Iceland are in the Western Hemisphere. 2713

Western Briefs

CALGARY.—Reports reaching Calgary said more than 50 per cent of calves born on central and southeastern Alberta ranches have died from exposure during the prolonged cold spell.

NELSON, B.C.—Nelson motorists are putting their pennies these days into parking meters. Installation of 150 meters along Baker street and other streets in the business section have been completed.

REGINA.—A resolution urging the federal government to build a hard surface Trans-Canada highway was passed at the annual convention of the hotel association of western Canada. The hotelmen also passed a resolution urging the dominion government to encourage tourist travel inside Canada.

CALGARY.—Dr. W. H. Hill, medical officer of health, said that a big brown rat which was killed at Alder, Alta., about 20 miles north of here, had apparently come from Swift Current, Sask. The rat was killed in an empty railway box car by Clayton Hay, grain agent at Alder.

STRASBOURG.—Parcels of food and clothing have been sent to needy people in Germany, Poland and England by the Strasbourg Sunday school, it was reported at a recent Sunday school session.

REGINA.—A fellow who makes a hobby of swimming in ice-bound lakes and rivers throughout Canada, Krieger Holmman, 33, of Toronto, launched the 1948 swimming season in Wascana lake Sunday, April 11. Downtown Regina was practically deserted in the early afternoon when more than 7,000 citizens flocked to the lake to see the "human polar bear" plunge into the chilly water through a hole in 15-inch thick ice. The temperature was 26 degrees.

When he finally hangs up his uniform for good, Bolt will have a tough time finding closet room.

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ONE SHE—

THIS IS AWFUL! I'M GOING TO ASK THEM TO SHUT UP

PARDON ME, MADAM—I DON'T WISH TO BE PRESUMPTUOUS, BUT WOULD YOU MIND NOT SPEAKING QUITE SO LOUDLY? FRANKLY, I CAN'T HEAR A WORD!

SORRY, DEAR—WE DIDN'T MEAN TO DISTURB YOU

THANK YOU, THAT'S BETTER—NOW GO AHEAD, CAROL—WHAT DO HENRY SAY?

—By Chuck Thurston

Moisture Conditions In West Are Excellent—Late Seeding Prospect

Fear Of A Dry Season Disappears—Considerable Increase In Wheat Acreage Is Expected

WINNIPEG.—Spring is coming very slowly in the West, and a late seeding season seems in prospect. Moisture conditions over practically all the West are excellent. Subsoil moisture is good and melting snow may give plenty of topsoil moisture for germination. Heavy reservoirs of snow in the mountains are regarded in Alberta as encouraging.

Over a considerable part of Saskatchewan, grasshoppers are regarded as a potential menace because of a large number of eggs in the soil. The Provincial Government, and many farmers, are making preparations for a poisoning campaign if that should become necessary. There is always hope, however, that an early hatch of grasshopper eggs will be followed by heavy killing from unfavorable weather.

A considerable increase in wheat acreage is in prospect, with a tendency for farmers to put into wheat as large an area as possible. The present price structure invites a transfer of acreage from other grains to wheat. Actual seeding will depend largely upon weather conditions, because other crops can be seeded after the critical day for wheat seeding is passed.

Until recently there was a good deal of fear of a dry season for the West, but such fears were based largely on historic weather patterns and the knowledge that recurring dry years are to be expected over a large

part of the West. Actually, a very considerable area last year was dry during the growing season, and past experience had been that drought areas tended to grow from year to year. Even good reserves of subsoil moisture have been exhausted in the past by long prevailing hot winds from the South during the summer.

It was feared last fall that dry conditions in the Middle Western States might be heralding a general North American drought. Such fears have been largely removed by good winter precipitation in such States.

For the present, there is nothing unsatisfactory in the Western outlook. Generally speaking, most farmers would prefer to see a late spring rather than an early one, so that reserves of moisture locked in the soil are not exposed too soon to drying action.

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Spring Poems

NO SPRING
Now that we know that we'll get no Spring
Because mid summer day is coming
Thoughts may run on anything
While we listen to the water running.
Daylight saving may be dropped
We'll all get up just when we please,
Just be glad the argument stopped
Who'd want to lengthen days like these?

Feed shortage, and the state-of roads,
Weather forecasting - what a dud,
Each cloud above us just unfolds,
We're just getting used to mud.
When darkness falls we never know
If morning may bring snow, instead
But the wisest of us soon will go
In rubber boots to bed!

There's even good in days like these
Though finding them will need a pause,
But if there's no seeding, there's no need
To wriggle out of the "Net Worth Clause."
Finally these days will pass,
And even now there's one good thing
For even a rhymester quits at last,
And writes no more of "Glorious Spring."
W. H.

365 - BELOW

He walked along the snowy road,
His manner showed determination
His heavy pack was quite a load,
He had a distant destination.
His face was furrowed by winter frost,
His back was to the "West Country".
For him, it had all the glamour lost
He knew quite well where he should be.

No lingering doubt befogged his mind,
You saw his purpose firmly set,
He meant to leave it all behind,
Further, with each stubborn step
He'll return, for sure, in time,
Eager for some more of it
But, the weather handed out a crime,
And we don't blame him a bit!
W. H.

DESTINY

Country boy in muddy lane -
A boy with Destiny!
Dawdling along to the red school again,
When the land was young and free,
At the back-concession's farthest end
His father toiled all day
With small reward, but his boy's trend
Was to follow his father's way.

The little red school house was out-grown
The thin-soiled farm soon dulled his zest,
Seeking a rich land for his own.
He heard the call of the farthest west.
His homestead lay on the wide-
And he plowed with fine good will,
Chores he scorned, but he grew fine grain,
His destiny called him still!

For dry years came, and droughty,
And debt and losses were him down,
The bright lights flame for such as he
And he trudged his way to town.
So the boy who trudged the muddy lane
Now advises farmers what to do,
His life-work is at last made plain
Its Destiny - with good pay too!
W. H.

FOOD FOR BRITAIN

The British Overseas Food Corporation is spending \$6,400,000 in the development of 250,000 acres of farm land in central Queensland, Australia. There will be extensive cultivation of sorghum and sunflowers on the land, and plans are being made for the establishment of a pig industry sufficiently extensive to supply 500,000 pigs for export to Britain annually.



Death To Grasshoppers

In 1947, hordes of grasshoppers invaded the wheatlands of Saskatchewan. They caused serious crop losses and left millions of eggs on roadsides, ditch banks, field margins and in stubble fields. Grasshopper forecasts for 1948, prepared by Entomologists of the Science Service Laboratories at Lethbridge and Saskatoon, indicate that the most serious plague of grasshoppers since 1940 can be expected in many districts of Western Canada, particularly in Saskatchewan.

Infested Areas. The area in Saskatchewan known to be infested with sufficient numbers of grasshopper eggs to constitute a serious threat to crops this spring, extends from North Battleford southward to the United States boundary, and from the Alberta border eastward to a line through Wynyard, Regina, Estevan and Weyburn. Fortunately, in Manitoba and Alberta, heavy grasshopper infestations are confined to a few relatively small areas in the southern portions of these provinces. A word of warning: Farmers in the grasshopper infested areas of Western Canada who fail to prepare for, and to carry out, an effective poisoning campaign this spring are likely to suffer unusually heavy crop losses in 1948.

Grasshopper Control. No attempt can be made here to give detailed information on the control of grasshoppers. As most western farmers know, successful grasshopper control depends largely on an early and effective spring baiting campaign. If grasshoppers threaten your crop this spring seek the co-operation and assistance of your municipal officials and Agricultural Representative. Your Local Line Elevator agent will be only too ready to help you to wage war on grasshoppers. Support your community control campaign, and make sure you keep the grasshoppers on your own farm strictly under control. Full information on effective grasshopper control measures, availability of poison bait, etc., can be obtained from your Provincial Department of Agriculture, or nearest Dominion Entomological Laboratory (Lethbridge, Alta., Saskatoon, Sask., or Brandon, Man.).

Wheat Situation

The greatest concern at the present time is the lateness of the seeding season in the prairie provinces of Western Canada. Up to the 10th of May there has been no spring weather. The heavy snows of February and March caused serious flooding conditions and this was aggravated by a succession of April snow storms. The land is water-logged and the seeding will be dangerously late. This spring has been the worst since 1910 is the opinion of some writers.

Of course a fine spell of weather during the next week would rectify conditions. Farmers would be able to be on the land like busy beavers with many of them arranging for 24-hour shifts.

A long frost free period in the fall would enable the crop to mature in good shape. All these are probabilities. No one can read the future. This fact is true—a good grain crop in Western Canada is badly needed, not only for the needs of the Dominion, but for the sake of the people of the world.

The important winter wheat crop in the United States has suffered very little damage, and the production estimate of 901 million bushels based on the conditions as existed at April 1st is 22 million bushels higher than the estimates as of last December.

The United States is hoping for another billion bushel crop, and every bushel of it will be needed to supply the 185 million bushels to the wheat importing nations and in addition to that amount to provide another 145 million bushels for the occupied zones of Germany and Austria.

Europe's crop prospects continue favorable and authorities state that the total grain production on that continent this year will surpass last year's output by a wide margin and may approach the pre-war average. If such turns out to be the case, it will be a fortunate thing for Europe and the world.

LOCAL FISHERMEN DISGUSTED WITH WEATHER

With twelve days of the fishing season gone, local fishermen are still waiting to wet their lines in our west streams.

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But there's music in the rain,
Music in the mountain streams,
Hurry to the plains.
Tap-dancing on the shingles,
Thinking on the window-pane.
Farmers think of seeding,
But there's music in the rain.

Soft music from the dripping eaves
Add down the last year's furrows
Pattering on sodden leaves,
Curling into cozy burrows
There's music in the water courses
In land where they'd seed grain
But just don't mention this to farmers
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